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INTERVIEW SUMMARY

On September 16, 2003, Applicants' undersigned attorney, Brian M. Dugan, telephoned the Examiner to discuss the rejection of claims 14-20. During the telephone interview, U.S. Patent No. 5,844,030 (Andros) was discussed. Specifically, Applicants' undersigned attorney stated that the Andros reference appears to describe only electrostatic attraction for attracting/cleaning particles from a surface to be cleaned and not the use of a "complexing agent adapted

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to chemically bond to metal particles" as required by applicants' claims. Based on the above reason, Applicants' attorney stated that the pending claims should be allowed. No agreement was reached.

Respectfully Submitted,

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